

**Governmental Affairs Committee
Regular Meeting
June 19, 2003 - 1:00 p.m.
Tribal Office Board Room**

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call-**

Committee Chairman Michael Chapman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Those present: Laurie Boivin, Ann Marie Johnson, Annette Warrington and Ben Kaquatosh. Kathy Kaquatosh was absent. Dan Maine was present for the meeting.

2. **Moment of Silence** - A moment of silence was observed.

3. **Review Minutes Dated April 3, 2003-**

Since the meeting was rescheduled from a previous date, the committee members did not bring the copy of the minutes they received.

Motion made by Ben Kaquatosh to table until the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Annette Warrington. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

4. **Health Plan Changes/Dan Maine-**

Dan Maine was present and discussed with the committee different options the committee may have to take due to the increasing costs of health care.

Committee went into lengthy discussion regarding the options and decided that action will be taken at the next meeting.

5. **Protocols for Proclamations-**

Tribal Chairperson Joan Delabreau asked the committee to develop a protocol for proclamations due to the fact of the huge number of proclamations coming to the Legislature and the length of the proclamations.

Chairman Chapman gave all the committee members a copy of a proposed protocol that he developed and invited the committee to make any changes they deemed necessary. Committee members reviewed the document and agreed that the only changes that need to be made is typing errors. Chairman Chapman will correct the document and it will be sent to the Legislature for approval.

Motion made by Laurie Boivin to accept the proposed protocol for Tribal Proclamations as present. Motion was seconded by Ann Marie Johnson. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

6. **Review Ordinance 80-7/Accounting Manual-**

Committee did not discuss the issue and will discuss the issue at a later meeting when Kathy Kaquatosh is present.

7. **Review the Gaming Net Revenue Plan-**

Committee went into lengthy discussion regarding the plan. Ann Marie Johnson went over the plan and incorporated committee members comments. Committee members had a hard time following the plan and would like Ann Marie to combine all comments into the original document.

Motion made by Ann Marie Johnson to table until next meeting. Motion was seconded by Ben Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

8. **Discuss Ordinance 95-04 Government Plan-**

Chairperson Chapman stated that the reason the ordinance was placed on the agenda is because the committee thought the ordinance needed to be changed when the committee made the motion changing the task force committees into standing committees. John Wilhelmi stated that the ordinance does NOT need to be changed. If the committee wants to, the flow chart that is

included in the ordinance can be updated but does not need legislative approval to do that.

John Wilhelmi stated that the ordinance may need to be changed for the new Casino Committee. Chairman Chapman informed John that all the information regarding the Casino Committee will be sent to him.

9. **Collections Policy/John Wilhelmi-**

Committee went over the policy and went into lengthy discussion regarding the sections of Debt Dispute and Maintenance of Debtor's List. Committee did not take any action on the policy and will discuss it further at the next meeting.

Motion made by Ben Kaquatosh to table the collections policy until next meeting and committee members come back with recommendations on #3 and #4. Motion was seconded by Laurie Boivin. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

10. **Other Business-**

Committee Chairman Chapman stated that on the next agenda he would like to have the election of officers. Since he is out of town so much and at times unable to make the meetings, he would like to make sure there is someone that can Chair the meeting if the need arises.

Committee determined that the next meeting will be July 3, 2003 at 1:00 p.m.

Chairman Chapman asked Ben Kaquatosh about a previous motion the committee made allowing vacation days to be given to employees in lieu of merit increases. The question was, what happened to the people that were given the vacation days that were also approved to received the increases. Ben stated that it didn't happen to too many people but if it did happen, the days were taken back from them.

11. **Adjournment-**

Motion made by Ben Kaquatosh to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Ann Marie Johnson. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services